



*The Austin Barber Family, in Pike County, Illinois
since 1833*

January 29, 2018

Jessica Funk, Superintendent
Western Unit School District #12
401 McDonough Street
Barry, IL 62312

Dear Jessica:

We are sending this letter, our 2017 Annual Report, and copies of the 2018 Applications to provide you with information on the Barber Family Foundation scholarships that are available to students at your high school. The Barber Family Foundation provides college scholarships to high school seniors (as well as current college students) in Pike County, Illinois. The scholarships range in value from \$1,000 to \$2,500. We hope that you will pass along this information to high school seniors at your school as our priority is to provide scholarships to support and encourage students in their first year of college.

Background

The Barber Family Foundation has awarded \$95,580 in scholarships to students in Pike County, Illinois since 2005. The Foundation was formed in 2004 in recognition of the Barber family that has been in Pike County since Austin Barber settled there in 1833. The Barber Family Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and 99% of all donated dollars go directly to Pike County students.

The Foundation makes on average five to seven awards per year including the Charles and Frances Barber Scholarship and The K.C. and Eleanor Barber Scholarship to honor family that lived in Pittsfield. Family members continue to live in Pittsfield. To date, the majority of scholarships have gone to Pittsfield High School students with 6 awards made to Western High School students and 2 awards to Griggsville-Perry High School students. The most common universities awardees attend include SIUE, University of Illinois, and John Wood Community

College. Most commonly, awardees indicate they are interested in the Agriculture or Healthcare fields.

Timing

Our scholarship round generally opens each year in February with applications due in March. The 2018 deadline is March 23, 2018. Further details and the electronic applications are available on www.barberfamilyfoundation.org.

Application

The scholarship application consists of the following six parts (incomplete applications will not be considered):

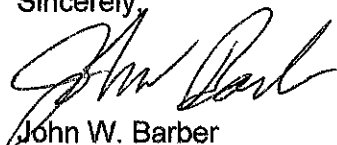
- Application itself which MUST be signed by the applicant.
- An essay written by the student (details in the application).
- Copy of the first page of parent's most recent 1040 (or both parents if not married or if filing separately).
- Personal reference that may be sent or emailed directly to the Foundation or included with application packet via snail mail in a sealed envelope (this must be a different individual from the Academic Profile).
- Academic Profile completed by a counselor or principal and either emailed directly to the Foundation or included in the application packet.
- High school transcript.

Contact

We are more than happy to provide further information at any time. Our primary contact is Ruth Barber at ruth@barberfamilyfoundation.org. You can also look for us on Facebook and join our mailing list on the website. Please also let us know about any senior award nights at your school as it is possible for us to send representatives to those events.

Again, these scholarships are available to all Pike County high school students. We hope to receive applications from students at your school this year and in the years to come.

Sincerely,



John W. Barber

President

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Read these notes carefully before completing this form. This application is for academic scholarships; for all other requests please fill out the Recreational Program Application. You must provide one reference as well as an academic profile by your principal or counselor. Please make sure to sign your application. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Qualifications: Applicants must be residents of Pike County, IL and under the age of 25. Scholarships may be used for required and approved college expenses only; award checks will be sent directly to the academic institutions. Questions? Contact ruth@barberfamilyfoundation.org.

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

First Name: _____ Last name: _____

Date of Birth: ____ / ____ / ____

Contact Address: _____

City _____ State IL Zip _____

Applicant Email address: _____

Parent Email Address: _____

CONFIDENTIAL FINANCIAL PROFILE:

Father's Name and Occupation _____

Mother's Name and Occupation _____

With whom does the applicant live? _____

Please list the names and ages of all dependents living with the applicant:

Please list any dependents not living with the applicant whom the family is supporting:

Gross Family Income _____

Are you currently employed? _____ If yes, list employer/business/annual income _____

Does the family expect any unusual expenses during 2018? If yes, please explain.

SCHOLARSHIP REQUEST

Program: _____

What is the anticipated cost of one year's attendance at the academic program? _____

Amount of request: _____

Below are the application requirements in addition to this signed form. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

A. PLEASE ATTACH AN ESSAY DESCRIBING (1) YOUR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, (2) YOUR FUTURE PLANS, AND (3) WHAT MAKES YOU STAND OUT AMONG OTHER APPLICANTS FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP?

B. PLEASE ATTACH A COPY OF THE FIRST PAGE OF YOUR PARENT OR GUARDIAN'S 2017 1040 TAX RETURN (or both parents if not married or if filing separately).

IF YOUR PARENTS ARE NOT MARRIED, PLEASE PROVIDE BOTH FIRST PAGES OF THEIR SEPARATE RETURNS AS WELL AS A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THEY WILL BOTH CONTRIBUTE TO YOUR COLLEGE EXPENSES.

C. PLEASE ATTACH ONE LETTER FROM A REFERENCE INCLUDING COMPLETE CONTACT INFORMATION (or the letters can be sent directly to the Foundation).

D. PLEASE HAVE YOUR PRINCIPAL OR COUNSELOR FOR THE MOST RECENT ACADEMIC SEMESTER / QUARTER COMPLETE AND MAIL THE ACADEMIC PROFILE (this must be someone different than the one providing the reference in item c).

DECLARATION: I hereby apply for a scholarship and declare that the information given in this application is correct and complete. I authorize the Barber Family Foundation to contact my references and otherwise verify the information in this application.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

**Return this form to: Ruth Barber
Barber Family Foundation
1165 N. Clark Street Suite 300
Chicago, IL 60610**

Please note: We recommend that you use a mail service with a delivery receipt. You can also email your application to ruth@barberfamilyfoundation.org.

CLOSING DATE (applications must be postmarked by this date): March 23, 2018



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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION Academic Profile

To be completed by the applicant's Principal or Counselor. Please attach a copy of the applicant's transcript and mail to Ruth Barber (or email to ruth@barberfamilyfoundation.org) at the above address by March 23, 2018.

ACADEMIC PROFILE:

Name of Applicant _____

School _____

GPA (if applicable) _____ Class Rank _____

In addition to academic merit, why is this student deserving of a scholarship from our Foundation?

Please rate the applicant's probability for success in a college program (or other applicable program):

Date:

Signature: _____

Position: _____



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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FOR RECREATIONAL PROGRAM

(summer camp, extracurricular program, etc.)

Read these notes carefully before completing this form. You may apply for a scholarship to any recreational program (such as athletic for baseball, golf, etc.; artistic for voice, music, art, etc.; travel studies, etc.). Please make sure to sign your application. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Qualifications: Applicants must be residents of Pike County, IL and under the age of 25. Award checks will be sent directly to the organizations running the recreational programs. Questions? Contact ruth@barberfamilyfoundation.org.

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

First Name: _____ Last name: _____

Date of Birth: ____ / ____ / ____

Contact Address: _____

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Parent Email address: _____

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CONFIDENTIAL FINANCIAL PROFILE CONTINUED:

What is the anticipated cost of program attendance? _____

SCHOLARSHIP REQUEST:

Name and Description of Program: _____

Duration / Timeline: _____

Amount of Request: _____ (please provide program documentation)

PLEASE ATTACH A TYPED ESSAY DESCRIBING WHY YOU ARE IN NEED OF THIS SCHOLARSHIP AND WHY YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROGRAM? HOW WILL THIS PROGRAM FIT INTO YOUR FUTURE PLANS? WHAT HAVE YOU ACHIEVED THAT HAS PREPARED YOU FOR THIS PROGRAM? PLEASE ALSO ATTACH A COPY OF THE FIRST PAGE OF YOUR PARENT OR GUARDIAN'S 2017 1040 TAX RETURN (or both parents if not married or if filing separately).

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